

House Study Bill 3 - Introduced

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HUMAN RESOURCES BILL BY
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the practice of interventional pain
2 procedures, and providing a penalty.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 148.15 **Interventional pain**
2 **procedures.**

3 1. A person shall not practice or offer to practice
4 interventional pain procedures unless such person meets all of
5 the following requirements:

6 a. The person is a physician licensed under this chapter.

7 b. The person has completed medical training in an
8 allopathic or osteopathic medical college.

9 c. The person has completed postgraduate medical training
10 with formal education in the medical practice of interventional
11 pain procedures which has been approved by the board.

12 2. For the purposes of this section, "*interventional pain*
13 *procedures*" means any of the following procedures used in
14 the course of diagnosing or treating pain which is chronic,
15 persistent, and intractable, or which occurs outside of a
16 surgical, obstetrical, or postoperative course of care:

17 a. Ablation of targeted nerves.

18 b. Percutaneous precision needle placement within the spinal
19 column with placement of drugs, such as local anesthetics,
20 steroids, and analgesics, under fluoroscopic guidance.

21 c. Laser or endoscopic discectomy, or the surgical placement
22 of intrathecal infusion pumps or spinal cord stimulators.

23 3. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit
24 or restrict the performance of surgical or obstetrical
25 anesthesia services or postoperative pain control by an
26 advanced registered nurse practitioner licensed in the state
27 and holding a specialty, as determined by the board of nursing,
28 as a certified registered nurse anesthetist.

29 4. Notwithstanding subsection 1, a podiatrist licensed
30 under chapter 149 or a dentist licensed under chapter 153 may
31 perform interventional pain procedures within the scope of
32 the person's license in accordance with standards of care as
33 determined by the respective licensing boards.

34 5. A person who violates this section is guilty of a serious
35 misdemeanor as provided in section 147.86 and is subject to the

1 injunction, punishment, and enforcement provisions set forth
2 in chapter 147.

3 6. The board may adopt rules to implement the provisions of
4 this section.

5 EXPLANATION

6 This bill establishes requirements for a person who
7 practices certain chronic interventional pain procedures. The
8 bill lists the chronic interventional pain procedures. The
9 bill provides that in order to perform the listed procedures a
10 person must be a licensed physician who has completed medical
11 training in an allopathic or osteopathic medical college
12 and has completed postgraduate medical training with formal
13 education in the medical practice of interventional pain
14 procedures.

15 The bill exempts certain licensed professionals from the
16 professional requirements in certain circumstances. The bill
17 does not restrict an advanced registered nurse practitioner
18 with a specialty as a certified registered nurse anesthetist
19 from performing surgical or obstetrical anesthesia services or
20 postoperative pain control. The bill also exempts licensed
21 podiatrists and dentists performing procedures within the scope
22 of their license and in accordance with applicable standards
23 of care.

24 The bill provides that the board of medicine shall adopt
25 rules to implement the bill.

26 The bill makes a penalty in Code section 147.86 applicable,
27 making it a serious misdemeanor to violate any of the
28 provisions of the bill.